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The above amendment corrects a minor typographical error in the specification.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification by the current amendment. The attached page is entitled "**Version with Markings to Show Changes Made**".

Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

The paragraph beginning at line 12 on page 11 of the specification has been rewritten as follows:

Furthermore, the catalyst was changed to Pd(OAc)₂/o-(di-t-butylphosphino)biphenyl, which was reported as being effective in proceeding the coupling reaction in high yield at room temperature (*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* [1987, 120, 9722-9723] 1999, 121, 9550-9561); the reaction was carried out in dioxane at room temperature for 24 hours.